Big Bend National Park

Daily Report - Tuesday, January 03, 2017



Weather Forecast:

Today...... Mostly sunny with light and variable winds. Mountain highs around 60, river highs mid 70s.

Tonight...... Partly cloudy with light and variable winds. Overnight lows mid 40s.

Tomorrow Partly cloudy with light and variable winds. Mountain highs low 60s, river highs mid 70s.

Overnight lows 40-45.

Extended Thu-Mon: Sunny.

Highs: upper 40s - mid 70s Lows: low 30s - low 40s

Sunset tonight: 6:08 p.m. Sunrise tomorrow: 7:48 a.m.

Fire Danger

In the Chisos Mountains: Moderate Panther Junction/Foothills: Moderate

Temperatures and Precipitation

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	Elevation	High	Low	8 AM	24 Hours	Month	Year
Panther Junction	3750'	66	45	46	0.00	0.02	0.02
Chisos Basin	5400'	54	43	49	0.00	0.00	0.00
Rio Grande Village	1850'	76	33	34	0.00	0.00	0.00
Castolon	2170'	75	40	45	0.00	0.00	0.00
Persimmon Gap	2970'	71	38	42	0.00	0.01	0.01
Lajitas	2340'	74	37	38	0.00	0.00	0.00

River Levels			
	Flood Stage	Today	Yesterday
Presidio International Bridge	15.50	5.94 ft / 604 cfs	5.94 ft / 604 cfs
Castolon	15.50	4.30 ft / 546 cfs	4.28 ft / 538 cfs
Johnson Ranch	15.50	5.85 ft / 526 cfs	5.85 ft / 526 cfs
Rio Grande Village	13.00	3.88 ft / 604 cfs	3.88 ft / 604 cfs
Dryden Crossing	59.00	5.98 ft / 879 cfs	5.98 ft / 879 cfs

Current Park Conditions:

Several overnight backpacking campsites are closed in Boot Canyon, Colima, Toll Mountain, Juniper Canyon # 1 and Southwest Rim # 2 due to bear activity. The Chisos Mountains are home to a healthy Mexican Black Bear population, and fall rains resulted in abundant pine nut and oak nut production. Bears feed heavily during the fall in order to prepare for their winter denning period and these closures will give them the space and time they need to feed and will help keep our bears healthy and wild. Thank you for your cooperation and support!